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COBRA SYSTEMS, INC.

14 COBRA SYSTEMS, INC., a California corporation,

Case No. 16-CV-00569-ODW-JEMx

## **JOINT STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER**

v.  
GEORGE FRANCIS UNGER IV,  
PHUONG PHAM (aka DARREN  
PHAM), CAMERON BROWN,  
WILLIAM MICHAEL "COREY"  
GIBSON, THERMAL ID TECH and  
DOES 1-10, inclusive,

Honorable Otis D. Wright

1                   This Protective Order, entered under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure  
2 26(c), shall govern the exchange of information designated "Confidential" or  
3 "Attorneys Eyes Only." Whether such disclosure is during the course of  
4 investigation, discovery, or motions, by order of the Court, in response to  
5 questions in a deposition, written interrogatories, requests for the production of  
6 documents and other tangible things and responses, requests for admission and  
7 responses, or any other discovery undertaken in this action. "Confidential" and  
8 "Attorneys Eyes Only" information shall be used only for the purposes of this  
9 litigation and may not be used by any party to which or whom that information is  
10 produced or disclosed for any other purpose. Such information shall not be used in  
11 any other litigation or proceeding.

12                 1. As used in this Order, the term "discovery material" includes all  
13 information contained in documents, things, computer data and reports, deposition  
14 testimony and exhibits, interrogatory answers, responses to requests for admission,  
15 pleadings, motions, briefs, affidavits, and any other written, recorded,  
16 computerized electronic, transcribed or graphic matter produced by any party or  
17 non party or obtained by any party during discovery in this action, and any copies  
18 thereof. The terms "document" or "documents" shall have the same meaning as  
19 used in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure including, but not limited to, records,  
20 exhibits, reports, samples, transcripts, video or audio recordings, computer files,  
21 disks, affidavits, briefs, pleadings, summaries, notes, abstracts, drawings, company  
22 records and reports, answers to interrogatories, responses to requests for  
23 admissions or document requests, and motions, including copies or computer-  
24 stored versions of any of the foregoing, as well as anything meeting the definition  
25 of a "writing" as used in Fed. R. Evid. 1001.

26                 2. "Producing Party" and "Designating Party" include any party or third  
27 party who provides discovery material.

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1           3. As used here, the designation "**CONFIDENTIAL**" means and applies  
2 to: (a) any proprietary information, document, or thing produced in discovery  
3 which is not generally known and which the producing party has not made public;  
4 (b) data derived from such information, document or thing, including any  
5 summaries, compilations, quotes, or paraphrases; and (c) information, including  
6 identifying information, relating to third party customers/dealers of a party.

7           4. Only "Qualified Persons" are authorized to view information  
8 designated as "Confidential." Qualified Persons are defined as:

9               (a) Attorneys of the law firms of record in this litigation and secretaries,  
10 paralegals, law clerks and support staff employees to whom, in the opinion of the  
11 attorney of record for the receiving party, it is necessary that the information be  
12 disclosed for purposes of this litigation;

13               (b) Any person who is not an employee or business consultant of a party  
14 and who is retained by a party or its attorneys of record in this litigation solely as  
15 an independent expert for the purposes of this litigation and who agrees in writing  
16 to be bound by the terms of this Protective Order. Prior to receiving the  
17 "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only" information, the independent expert must  
18 complete and sign a Confidentiality Statement in the form of Exhibit A, attached  
19 hereto, and their identity must be disclosed as set forth in Paragraph 6.

20               (c) Independent contractors of the law firms of record needed to provide  
21 various services such as jury consulting, copying documents, drafting exhibits and  
22 graphics, and preparing briefs or other court papers. Such agents, however, may  
23 not include any person who is an officer, director, employee or agent of the  
24 receiving party or fall in to any other category of this Paragraph 4.

25               (d) Three officers and/or employees from each party or a company  
26 affiliated with the party designated specifically by each party, who agree, in  
27 writing, to be bound by the terms of this Protective Order. Each person must  
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1 complete and sign a Confidentiality Statement in the form of Exhibit A, attached  
2 hereto.

3 (e) Any other person who is designated as a Qualified Person by Order of  
4 this Court, after notice to all parties, or who, by written agreement of the parties, is  
5 designated as a Qualified Person. Any person designated under this subparagraph  
6 (e) must complete and sign a Confidentiality Statement in the form of Exhibit A,  
7 attached hereto.

8 (f) Court reporters, stenographers, clerks, law clerks, and other court  
9 personnel employed by the Court, and court reporters and/or stenographers at  
10 depositions.

11 5. A Producing Party may designate as "**ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY**"  
12 discovery materials that are: (a) any type of proprietary information, document, or  
13 thing that is "Confidential" as defined above, and the disclosure of which the  
14 producing party contends would cause substantial and/or irreparable harm to the  
15 producing party's business operations or interests, or would divulge the personal  
16 affairs of an employee from producing party; (b) data derived from such  
17 information, including any summaries, compilations, quotes, or paraphrases; and  
18 (c) any other oral, written, or recorded material which consists of or contains trade  
19 secrets (as defined in California Civil Code § 3426.1(d) or any other applicable  
20 law). Disclosure of "Attorneys Eyes Only" information is limited to the Qualified  
21 Persons described in Paragraphs 4(a)-(c) and (e)-(f) of this Order.

22 6. Before any person who is a consulting or potentially testifying expert  
23 witness may be given access to information designated as "Confidential" or  
24 "Attorneys Eyes Only" under Paragraph 4(b), the party seeking to provide such  
25 access must give written notice to the attorneys for the Designating Party of the  
26 intention to make such disclosure, providing the name, business address, and a  
27 resume of the background and qualifications of the person to whom disclosure is  
28 proposed. Within ten (10) days from the service of said notice, a Designating

1 Party having reasonable grounds to object to such disclosure may serve a written  
2 objection, stating the reasons for the objection. No disclosure of information  
3 designated as "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only" to such person may occur  
4 prior to the expiration of ten (10) days from the date of service of written notice of  
5 intention to disclose unless consent is granted earlier by the Designating Party.  
6 When a Designating Party objects to disclosure under this paragraph, the party  
7 seeking to make the disclosure must move for leave of Court to make the  
8 disclosure and may not make such disclosure without an order of the Court  
9 authorizing the disclosure. In the event of an objection, the party objecting to  
10 disclosure shall bear the burden to show that disclosure should not be allowed.  
11 The requirement of pre-disclosure notice shall not apply to litigation consultants –  
12 such as trial consultants, graphics firms, and the like – who are retained to support  
13 outside counsel.

14 7. Any information designated as "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes  
15 Only" shall not be: (1) made available, directly or indirectly or through  
16 paraphrasing, by the party receiving it to any persons or entities other than  
17 Qualified Persons, or (2) used by the other party for any purpose other than in  
18 connection with this litigation.

19 8. Any Producing Party may designate discovery material as  
20 "Confidential" or "Attorneys' Eyes Only" by affixing in a conspicuous place the  
21 legend "Confidential" or "Attorneys' Eyes Only" on any discovery material that it  
22 believes contains information specified in Paragraphs 3 and 5 above. Such  
23 designation shall, to the extent possible, be made at the time the discovery  
24 materials are produced. If, however, a Producing Party determines that discovery  
25 material containing information specified in Paragraphs 3 and 5 above has  
26 inadvertently been produced previously without a "Confidential" or "Attorneys'  
27 Eyes Only" designation, that Producing Party may so designate such information  
28 for going-forward purposes by providing properly marked copies of the materials

1 to all other parties with instructions that such other parties shall either destroy or  
2 return all copies of the previously produced but undesignated materials they may  
3 have.

4 9. In lieu of marking the original of documents, the party may mark the  
5 copies that are produced or exchanged, before or after an inspection of the  
6 originals by the other party. The designation of material as "Confidential" or  
7 "Attorneys Eyes Only" constitutes a representation by the Designating Party and  
8 its counsel that they, in good faith, believe that the material so designated contains  
9 or constitutes information which is properly the subject of this Protective Order.

10 10. Information disclosed at a deposition may be designated as  
11 "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only" by indicating: (1) on the record at the  
12 deposition that the particular testimony should be designated as "Confidential" or  
13 "Attorneys Eyes Only" and treated subject to the provisions of this Protective  
14 Order or (2) by indicating in writing within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the  
15 transcript by counsel that the particular testimony is designated as "Confidential"  
16 or "Attorneys Eyes Only." Until the fourteen (14) day period passes, the material  
17 is to be treated as if designated "Attorneys Eyes Only."

18 11. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Protective Order, a party  
19 may show any person any document or thing designated as "Confidential" or  
20 "Attorneys Eyes Only" by the other party which that person: (i) has previously  
21 seen or (ii) is entitled to see, in a manner which did not violate the terms of this  
22 Protective Order.

23 12. Furthermore, notwithstanding any other provision in this Protective  
24 Order, a party may, in a deposition, show any director, officer, employee,  
25 consultant or agent of the other party any document or thing produced by the other  
26 party.

27 13. Use of information designated "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes  
28 Only" shall be permitted at trial, although the confidentiality of such information at

1 trial may be governed by a trial protective order if such an order is stipulated to by  
2 the parties or requested by a party and entered by the Court.

3 14. Nothing shall prevent disclosure beyond the terms of this Order if the  
4 party designating the information as "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only"  
5 consents, in writing, to such disclosure, withdraws the designation, or if the Court,  
6 after notice to all parties, orders such disclosure.

7 15. This Protective Order shall not apply to information that: (i) was, is,  
8 or becomes public knowledge (not by any way of a violation of this Protective  
9 Order); (ii) was or is acquired from a third party possessing such information and  
10 having no obligation of confidentiality to the Designating Party; or (iii) the  
11 receiving party establishes was already in its rightful and lawful possession at the  
12 time of the disclosure.

13 16. A party shall not be obligated to challenge the propriety of a  
14 "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only" designation at the time made, and a  
15 failure to do so shall not preclude a subsequent challenge to such designation. If  
16 any party objects to a designation of discovery material as "Confidential" or  
17 "Attorneys' Eyes Only," based upon a good faith belief that the discovery material  
18 is not entitled to such protection, counsel for the objecting person shall state the  
19 objection by letter to counsel for the Designating Party or nonparty. Upon receipt  
20 of the letter containing such objection, counsel for the party that designated such  
21 discovery material shall have ten (10) business days to confer with counsel for the  
22 objecting party and respond to the request and objections. If, at the end of the ten-  
23 day period, the objecting and designating parties are unable to agree on the  
24 propriety of the objected-to designation(s), the objecting party may apply to the  
25 Court for an order changing, removing, or reviewing the designation. The  
26 Designating Party shall have ten (10) business days to respond to such application  
27 and shall have the burden of demonstrating that the designation was proper under  
28 the terms of this Order. Any discovery material that has been designated

1 "Confidential" or "Attorneys' Eyes Only" shall be treated as if properly designated  
2 until such time as the Court rules that such discovery should not be so treated.

3       17. In accordance with Local Rule 79-1, if any papers to be filed with the  
4 Court contain information and/or documents that have been designated as  
5 "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only," the proposed filing shall be  
6 accompanied by an application to file the papers or the portion thereof containing  
7 the designated information or documents (if such portion is segregable) under seal;  
8 and the application shall be directed to the judge to whom the papers are directed.  
9 For motions, the parties shall publicly file a redacted version of the motion and  
10 memorandum in support of the motion.

11       18. All discovery and other material filed with the Court including, inter  
12 alia, transcripts of depositions, exhibits, briefs and memoranda, which have been  
13 designated "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only" shall be filed under seal in  
14 accordance with the Court's applicable Local Rules and Practices.

15       19. Within sixty (60) days after the conclusion of this litigation, originals  
16 or reproductions of any documents or things produced by a party containing  
17 information designated as "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only" shall be  
18 returned to the Producing Party or destroyed. Principal counsel for each party may  
19 retain a single copy of all papers filed with the Court, exhibits, deposition  
20 transcripts, discovery responses, work product, and correspondence.

21       20. The designation of any material as "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes  
22 Only" in accordance with this Order is intended solely to facilitate the preparation  
23 and trial of this action, and treatment of such material by counsel of record for  
24 named parties in conformity with such designation will not be construed in any  
25 way as an admission or agreement by any party that the designated material  
26 constitutes or contains any confidential or proprietary information.

27       21. Inadvertent or unintentional production of documents or information  
28 containing any privileged or otherwise protected information shall not be deemed a

1 waiver in whole or in part of any claim of privilege or protection, including but not  
2 limited to the attorney-client privilege or work-product doctrine, provided that the  
3 disclosing party promptly notifies the receiving party in writing when such  
4 inadvertent production is discovered. Upon receiving written notice from the  
5 disclosing party that privileged information or work-product material has been  
6 inadvertently produced, all such information, and all copies thereof, shall be  
7 returned to the disclosing party. Furthermore, any analyses, memoranda or notes  
8 that were internally generated based upon such inadvertently produced information  
9 or material shall immediately be treated in conformance with the protected nature  
10 of the information. If the receiving party disagrees with the designation of any  
11 such information or material as privileged or otherwise protected after conferring  
12 with the disclosing party in good faith, the receiving party shall nonetheless return  
13 such information or material to the disclosing party as specified above, but may  
14 move the Court for production of the returned information or material. The  
15 disclosing party shall retain all returned information or material for further  
16 disposition.

17       22. This Order shall be without prejudice to the right of any person to  
18 object to the production of any discovery material on the basis that such material is  
19 protected as a privileged communication or work product.

20       23. This Order shall be without prejudice to the right of any person to  
21 apply to the Court for such further protective orders as justice may require.

22       24. Nothing in this Order shall bar or otherwise restrict any counsel for a  
23 party from rendering advice to his client with respect to this litigation and, in the  
24 course thereof, relying upon his or her examination of materials designated  
25 “Confidential” or “Attorneys Eyes Only” provided that no disclosure of the  
26 substance of any such material shall be made except as (i) permitted herein to  
27 those officers and/or employees designated in Paragraph 4(d), above, or (ii) if such  
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1 statement is a general conclusory statement indicating the nature and strength of  
2 the proofs the other party (or any third party) has offered.

3        25. This Protective Order has been entered to facilitate discovery and the  
4 production of relevant evidence in this action. Neither the entry of this Order, nor  
5 the designation of any material as “Confidential” or “Attorneys Eyes Only” nor the  
6 failure to make such designation, shall constitute evidence with respect to any  
7 issue in this action.

8        26. This Protective Order shall remain in full force and effect throughout  
9 this action and after its conclusion and until modified, superseded or terminated by  
10 Order of the Court or by agreement of the parties.

## **IT IS SO STIPULATED.**

DATED: September 2, 2016

SHEPPARD MULLIN RICHTER & HAMPTON  
LLP

By s/ Michael Murphy

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Attorneys for Plaintiff COBRA SYSTEMS,  
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13 FRANCIS UNGER IV, PHOUNG PHAM,  
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20 By s/ James Green  
21 JAMES GREEN  
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23 Attorneys for Defendants CAMERON  
24 BROWN AND WILLIAM MICHAEL  
25 "COREY" GIBSON.  
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27 **SIGNATURE ATTESTATION**

28 I hereby attest that the content of this document is acceptable to all persons  
whose signatures are indicated by a "conformed" signature (/s/) within this e-filed  
document.

Dated: September 2, 2016

By: s/ Michael Murphy

MICHAEL MURPHY

1 PURSUANT TO THE STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.  
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3 Dated: September 8, 2016

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6 HON. OTIS D. WRIGHT  
7 United States District Judge

8 U. S. Magistrate  
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10 JOHN E. McDERMOTT  
11 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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**EXHIBIT A**

## Confidentiality Statement

I, \_\_\_\_\_, state that:

1. My address is \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. My present employer is \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. My present occupation or job description is \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. I have received a copy of the Protective Order Governing The

Exchange Of Information (“Protective Order”) in the matter entitled *Cobra Systems, Inc. v. George Francis Unger IV, et al.*, pending before the United States District Court for the Central District of California, Case No. CV16-00569 ODW (JEMx).

5. I have carefully read and understand the provisions of the Protective Order. I will comply with all of the provisions, including holding in confidence and not disclosing to anyone not qualified under the Protective Order, any document designated as "Confidential" or "Attorneys Eyes Only," or information contained in such a document.

6. I hereby consent to be subject to personal jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Central District of California in respect to any proceeding relative to the enforcement of the Protective Order.

Signature

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Date